

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

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| MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION | : |
| AND LAW DEBENTURE TRUST COMPANY OF | : |
| NEW YORK, | : |
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| Plaintiffs, | : |
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| v. | : |
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| NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION, | : |
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| Defendant. | : |
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| MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION | : |
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| Plaintiff, | : |
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| v. | : |
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| PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER LLP, | : |
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| Defendant. | : |
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| MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION | : |
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| Plaintiff, | : |
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| v. | : |
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| MIKE J. HANSON & ERNIE J. KINDT, | : |
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| Defendants. | : |

**MIKE J. HANSON & ERNIE J. KINDT'S JOINDER
TO DEFENDANT NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION'S
MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Mike J. Hanson & Ernie J. Kindt ("Hanson & Kindt") hereby joins (the "Joinder") in Defendant Northwestern Corporation's Motion for a Protective Order and Memorandum of Law in Support of its Motion for a Protective Order dated February 2, 2006 (D.I. 55, 56 in C.A. No.

04-1494) (together, the "Motion"), and requests the relief sought therein, for substantially the same reasons set forth in the Motion.¹ Hanson & Kindt expressly reserve all rights to participate in additional briefing or argument on this matter.

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¹ Hanson & Kindt is filing this Joinder in the three above-captioned civil actions because, although no order has formally been entered, it understands that these cases have been consolidated for the purpose of discovery.